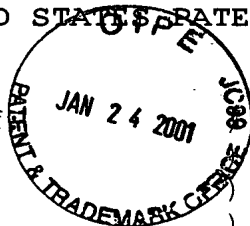


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AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 24,
2000, please amend as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 1 (amended), line 11, after "biological"
insert --agonist--;

line 15, after "biological" insert
--agonist--;

line 19, after "biological" insert
--agonist--;

line 22, after "biological" insert
--agonist--.